



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND  
ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FOR THE  
KENNETH HAHN STATE RECREATIONAL AREA – PARK TO PLAYA TRAIL  
FROM THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM  
(SECOND DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Request to adopt a resolution authorizing the submission of a competitive grant application to the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation under the Recreational Trails Program.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Find that the proposed submission of a grant application for the and acceptance of grant funds for the Park to Playa Trail within Kenneth Hahn State Recreational Area is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act as the actions do not meet the definition of a project according to Section 15378 (b)(5) of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, because the actions are organizational or administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.
2. Adopt a Resolution to complete the submission process of a competitive grant application for the Recreational Trails Program in the amount of \$650,000 for the Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area- Park to Playa Trail.
3. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles, to accept the funds, conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, contracts, deed restrictions, amendments, and payment requests,

which may be necessary for the completion of the project.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to complete the grant submission process for the Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area (KHSRA) Park to Playa (P2P) Trail as required by Recreational Trails Program. The guidelines for the grant program require an adopted resolution to approve the project from the applicant's governing Board.

The Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority (BHRC) is the public agency with the primary responsibility for carrying out the entire P2P Trail project which is approximately a 7 mile system of walking, hiking and bicycle trails in the Baldwin Hills area. Approximately 4 miles of the 7 mile trail system are located in KHSRA which is located at 4100 South La Cienega Boulevard in Los Angeles. The approximately 4 mile stretch of the 7 mile project will involve developing approximately 10,800 linear feet of new trails, refurbishing approximately 2,500 linear feet of existing trails, and creating over 8,000 linear feet of trails to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The trail segments will connect the KHSRA P2P Trail network and provide connectivity to adjacent open space and parks. The KHSRA P2P Trail will eventually connect to a regional trail network and lead to the Ballona Wetlands area in Marina Del Rey. In addition, a standard interpretive and way-finding signage will be installed throughout the trails.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The recommended actions will further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1), by enhancing recreational opportunities that benefit County residents.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total project cost for the KHSRA P2P Trail is \$2,400,000. The grant request is \$650,000. Currently, \$120,000 of County Excess funds from the Los Angeles County Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 has been allocated for the project. In addition, the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority will allocate \$1,630,000 for the project. Approval of the recommended actions will have no impact on net County cost.

### **OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT**

Based on the project description, the Department of Parks and Recreation (Department) roughly estimates one-time costs of approximately \$2,000 for signage and maintenance equipment; and ongoing costs of approximately \$2,000 for maintenance supplies and gear. The Department will work with the Chief Executive Office to confirm the appropriate level of funding and submit a New Facilities request in the same fiscal year in which the project completes.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The grant guidelines require adoption of a resolution to establish the governing Board's intent to apply for and accept the provisions in the grant guidelines. The resolution will complete the grant submission process for the grant program.

County departments are required to attach Grant Management Statement forms when filing a Board Letter for grants of \$100,000 or more. The Grant Management Statement form for the KHSRA P2P Trail project is attached.

County Counsel has approved this Board Letter and the attached resolution as to form.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The proposed actions are not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in that the actions do not meet the definition of a project according to Section 15378 (b)(5) of the State CEQA Guidelines because the actions are organizational or administrative activities of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

The BHRCA is the Lead Agency under CEQA for the entire P2P Trail project which is approximately a 7 mile system of walking, hiking and bicycle trails in the Baldwin Hills area. Approximately 4 miles of the 7 mile trail system is located in KHSRA. As the Lead Agency, BHRCA is preparing a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the project. After the MND is considered by the BHRCA Board, and prior to construction, the MND will be brought to your Board for consideration.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The proposed actions will not have any impact on current services or projects.

### **CONCLUSION**

Please instruct the Executive Officer-Clerk of the Board to return an adopted copy of this action to the Chief Executive Office-Capital Projects Division, and two adopted copies of the Resolution to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The Honorable Board of Supervisors

3/5/2013

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Russ Guiney".

RUSS GUINEY

Director

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Enclosures

c: Chief Executive Officer  
County Counsel  
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF  
THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES APPROVING THE APPLICATION FOR  
GRANT FUNDS FROM THE RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM FOR THE  
KENNETH HAHN STATE RECREATION AREA – PARK TO PLAYA TRAIL**

WHEREAS, the “Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (MAP-21)” provides funds to the State of California for Grants to federal, state, local and non-profit organizations to acquire, develop and/or maintain motorized and non-motorized trail Projects; and

WHEREAS, the State Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility for the administration of the program within the State, setting up necessary procedures governing Project Application under the program; and

WHEREAS, said procedures established by the State Department of Parks and Recreation require the Applicant to certify by resolution the approval of Application(s) before submission of said Application(s) to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant will enter into a Contract with the State of California to complete the Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area-Park to Playa Trail (Project);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an Application for the Recreational Trails Program; and
2. Certifies that the Project is consistent with the Applicant’s general plan or the equivalent planning document; and
3. Certifies that said Applicant has or will have available prior to commencement of any work on the Project included in this Application, sufficient funds to operate and maintain the Project; and
4. Certifies that the Applicant has reviewed, understands, and agrees to the General Provisions contained in the Contract shown in the Procedural Guide; and
5. Appoints the Director of Parks and Recreation, or his designee, as agent of the County of Los Angeles, to conduct all negotiations, execute and submit all documents, including, but not limited to Applications, agreements, amendments, payment requests which may be necessary for the completion of the Project; and
6. Agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and guidelines.

The foregoing resolution was adopted on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taking districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

**SACHI A. HAMAI**, Executive Officer-  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

**JOHN KRATTLI**  
County Counsel

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Christina A. Salseda  
Principal Deputy Counsel